GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Agriculture & Cooperation Department – Procurement of various Agricultural crops on MSP at Dr YSR Rythu Bharosa Kendralu (RBKs) – Declaring Dr YSR RBKs as procurement centres for all Agriculture commodities - Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (AGRI.II) DEPARTMENT

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Read:

From the Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, letter No AGCO2 - 24024/9/2020-PLG, Dt. 06.10.2020.

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ORDER:

Andhra Pradesh is primarily an Agrarian state wherein 62% of its population are directly/indirectly engaged in Agriculture and associated activities. To provide One Stop Solution for farmers i.e. from making available pre-certified quality inputs to farm advisories and plethora of other services, Government has established Dr YSR Rythu Bharosa Kendras (RBKs) in 10,641 Village Secretariats. Providing remunerative prices for the produce of farmers is one of the important services which can also be channelized through these RBKs.

2. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby designates Dr YSR RBKs as Procurement Centres for all the Agricultural commodities including Horticulture crops to ensure remunerative prices to farmers. Department of Civil Supplies (AP Civil Supplies Corporation), Markfed, Oilfed and CCI will accordingly coordinate with Department of Agriculture to ensure the procurement operations are taken up in such a manner which will benefit the actual farmers.

3. The Department of Agriculture is the nodal Department for registering all the crops being cultivated by the farmers season-wise in e-Crop application. The Village Agriculture Assistant / Village Horticulture Assistant/ Village Sericulture Assistant are registering actual cultivator-wise, crop-wise details along with variety and date of sowing of all the crops. This data should be the single source of information for all MSP procurement operations being carried by all the Government Agencies.

4. Department of Agriculture should provide information on Dr YSR RBK wise extent grown and harvesting window of the crops to all the procurement agencies.

5. Extensive awareness on FAQ norms at Dr YSR RBK level should be organized by the stakeholder departments and concerned procurement Agency should prepare short videos on FAQ norms of the produce they are intended to procure on MSP and the Dr YSR RBKs should play these videos for sensitizing the farmers.

6. The concerned stakeholder Departments should be coordinated with the Procurement Departments to organize farmers' registration, generation of coupons and distribution to the framers at Dr YSR RBKs only and procurement should be done at farm gate level by the procurement Agencies with advance intimation to the concerned farmers.

7. The Procurement Agency should provide all the details of procurement centres duly mapping these centres with that of Dr YSR RBKs and see that this information is provided to the concerned Joint Director of Agriculture for better coordination at the time of procurement.

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8. The procurement Departments should also publicise at RBKs about the terms of payments towards the procurement of the produce from the farmers.

9. The procurement Department shall ensure display of the list of farmers from whom they have procured and payment made with all the details of quantity and amount paid, at Dr YSR RBKs for transparency.

10. The Agriculture Department in coordination with the procurement Departments should resolve the issues if any from time to time and see that an Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is developed in resolving the software issues of e-crop as this is the only data for the entre procurement operations.

11. The Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary / Special Secretary of the Secretariat Departments concerned, the Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, Heads of the Departments /Vice Chairmen and Managing Directors of the Corporations concerned, all the District Collectors& Magistrates, all Joint Collectors (RB&R) and all the other officers concerned, shall take further necessary action in the mater accordingly.

12. Farmers can escalate any issues relating to procurement to the call centre by dialing 155251.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Special Secretary of the Secretariat Departments concerned.
The Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.
The Commissioner, Civil Supplies Department, A.P, Vijayawada.
The Commissioner, Agricultural Marketing Department, AP., Guntur.
The Commissioner of Horticulture, AP., Guntur.
All the Vice Chairmen and Managing Directors of concerned Corporations in AP.
All the Collectors & District Magistrates in A.P.
All the Joint Collectors (RB & R) in A.P.
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